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: Uwe Ries et al

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CARBOXYLIC ACID AMIDES, THE PREPARATION

THEREOF AND THEIR USE AS PHARMACEUTICAL

COMPOSITIONS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

CLEAN COPY OF THE AMENDED CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A carboxylic acid amide compound of the following formula



$$R_2$$
 R_3
 $(CH_2)_m$
 NR_4
 CO
 $(CH_2)_n$
 R_5
 (I)

wherein

one of the groups m or n denotes the number 0 and the other group m or n denotes the number 1,

Ar denotes a phenylene or naphtylene group optionally substituted by a fluorine, chlorine or bromine atom, by a trifluoromethyl, C₁₋₃-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₃-alkoxy, phenyl-C₁₋₃-alkoxy, amino, C₁₋₃-alkylamino or di-(C₁₋₃-alkyl)-amino group, said